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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
MARC DELAUNAY, ET AL. : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION  
SERIAL NO: NEW U.S. APPLICATION :  
(BASED ON PCT/FR03/50154)  
FILED: HERewith :  
FOR: METHOD OF SYNTHESISING AND :  
GROWING NANORODS FROM A :  
METAL CARBIDE ON A :  
SUBSTRATE, SUBSTRATES THUS :  
OBTAINED AND APPLICATIONS :  
THEREOF

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.